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Mill Villages Advisory Committee  
Regular Meeting  
South Grafton Community House  
27 Main Street, South Grafton

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GRAFTON, MA  
2019 SEP -4 AM 9:10  
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Thursday August at 10:30 am

Minutes for the Meeting:

Attended by: Philip Gauthier, Michael Trilligan, Kenneth Grew, Julie Roberts

(1) 10:49 am – Call to Order by Phil

(2) Approval of Minutes from last meeting, with updated spelling – voted on unanimous (Phil, Mike, Ken, Julie)

(3) Old Business

**Status of greenhouse and Blackstone Project** – Julie – ongoing work on getting clear update – will report back next month

**Boat Ramp** – Ken – conversed with Dave Muradian – we did get a grant, since we did not use it in time, it has since expired

Ken – recommends clerk send a letter to board of selectman advising them of a series of recommendations from this committee

a) construction of walking trail around perimeter of park starting at southern side of sidewalk starting at bank going all the way around the park back to main street on RR track side of park

b) place a boat ramp immediately adjacent to walking trail for entrance to Blackstone River

c) Fitness trail - have exercise points adjacent to right hand side of trail with signage and stations

d) Picnic tables on railroad side of park – on grass area on the federal land strip there just north of the greenhouse area

All dependent on funding

Please see:

Attachment A – the funds in the bank account for Mill Villages

Attachment B – Ken exchange with David Muradian about boat ramp grant

We further recommend using the existing Mill Village funds, as well as available and approved Town Funds, CPA (Community Preservation Act) , State Grants, Federal Grants and other available funds.

And, since we are advisory only, and since in the past all these grants and actions were taken through the planning office, we recommend these grants for funding be made through the planning office for the above recommendations.

suggestions – contact Megan DePriete of Blackstone Heritage Valley corridor

Motion Made (Ken) and seconded (Mike)

Vote: all in favor – unanimous approved

Another recommendation by Mike Trilligan

Recreation Committee conduct a minimum of one outdoor movie a year and one concert a year at the Mill Villages Park.

Ken Seconded

Vote: all in favor – unanimous approved

Another recommendation:

Ken moves that the SelectBoard advertise the Commemorative Brick program through the Town Planners office to complete the program.

Discussion – there are approx. 50 bricks left to be sold

Motion Made (Ken) and seconded (Julie)

Vote: all in favor – unanimous approved

Ask Selectmen to appoint Julie Roberts at Liaison from Mill Villages Advisory Comm to Julie makes a motion to be appointed liaison in view of her past

training and experience in interaction with Benat family about the Livings Systems

Motion Made (Julie) and seconded (Phil)  
Vote: all in favor – unanimous approved

Request the Select Board to discuss the possibility of installing an irrigation system in the Mill Villages Park with South Grafton water district.

Motion Made (Ken) and seconded (Mike)  
Vote: all in favor – unanimous approved

New Membership – we welcome new member Robert Pearla – we take note that one vacant seat remains and ask that they advertise for a new member

4. New Business – no new business was taken up

5. Set Next Meeting September 26 at 10:00 am

6. Adjournment - Motion Made (Phil) and seconded (Ken)